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SUBJECT:SUGGESTIONS ON PURPOSE OF CONFERENCE

ROME PASS IMMEDIATE TO: DR. A. JAMES GREGOR, HOTEL
D'INGHILTERRA, 14 VIA BOCCA DI LEONE, ROME, ITALY

WILL TRY TO PHONE BUT SEND THESE COMMENTS IN CASE DO NOT
REACH YOU. YOUR OUTLINE PROMISES INTERESTING PRESENTATION.
HAVE A FEW SUGGESTIONS THAT MAY HELP FOCUS TALK MORE SHARPLY
FOR PURPOSES OF THIS CONFERENCE.

1. IN VIEW OF TIME LIMITS ESPECIALLY, MAY BE NECESSARY TO
PREPARE HISTORICAL MATERIAL CONSIDERABLY TO HIGHLIGHT CURRENT
SITUATION.

2. COULD YOU SKETCH FEATURES OF LEFT IN GENERAL? OUTLINE
NOW DEALS MOSTLY WITH MARXIST, ESPECIALLY COMMUNIST,
CURRENTS. COULD YOU SAY SOMETHING ALSO ABOUT POST-MARXIST
AND NON-MARXIST SECTORS OF WEST EUROPEAN LEFT?

3. THOUGH FRANCE AND ITALY OBVIOUSLY WILL BE CENTRAL IN
SOME CONFERENCE DISCUSSIONS, COULD YOU PHRASE OPENING TALK
IN MORE GENERAL WEST EUROPEAN TERMS?

4. SYMPATHIZE WITH FRUSTRATING PROBLEM OF TIME. THOUGH
WILL BE DIFFICULT, URGE YOU LIMIT OPENING TALK TO ABOUT
30 MINUTES. THIS ALLOWS LABEDZ ABOUT 15 MINUTES FOR COM-
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MENTS AND LEAVES LAST HALF OF SESSION FOR GROUP DISCUSSION.
UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES, OPENING HAS TO BE GENERAL AND THEMATIC
BUT THERE SHOULD BE TIME TO DEVELOP IDEAS, AS YOU SUGGEST,
DURING REST OF CONFERENCE.

5. THANKS. BUON VIAGGIO.

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